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In re application of: Lee A. Nosbisch

Application No.: 10/699,535

Group No.: 1742 Confirmation No.: 2703

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For: STARTER SET FOR BRICK LINING OF LADLES USED IN HANDLING MOLTEN METAL

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STATUS

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Application No. 10/699,535  
Amendment dated December 6, 2005  
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION dated September 19, 2005



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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 19, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Declaration of Lee A. Nosbisch** is attached hereto (following page 2 of this Response).

## STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

## EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

|  | (Col.1)                                   |       | (Col. 2)                             | (Col. 3)         |            | OTHER THAN SMALL<br>ENTITY |
|--|---|-------|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------|----------------------------|
|  | CLAIMS<br>REMAINING<br>AFTER<br>AMENDMENT |       | HIGHEST NO<br>PREVIOUSLY<br>PAID FOR | PRESENT<br>EXTRA |            | ADDIT.<br>FEE              |
| TOTAL  | 21  | MINUS | 22                                   | = 0              | x \$       | 50.00 = \$ 0.00            |
| INDEP  | 3   | MINUS | 3                                    | = 0              | x \$       | 200.00 = \$ 0              |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM |   |       |                                      |                  | + \$       | 0.00 = \$ 0.00             |
|  |   |       |                                      |                  | TOTAL      | \$ 0.00                    |
|  |   |       |                                      |                  | ADDIT. FEE |                            |

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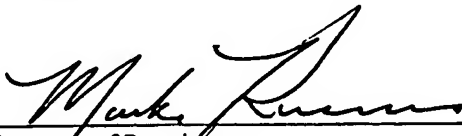
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## FEE DEFICIENCY

5. If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 50-0537.  
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